Parent Docket P1778R1C2 Page 2

## **Listing of Claims:**

## 1. (currently amended) A compound of the formula I, II or III:

ı

Ħ

wherein

Z is H or lower alkyl;

A has the structure:

or

٥r

Or

R<sub>4</sub> ),

in which

Patent Docket P1778R1C2

Page 3

B is cyanoalkyl, a carbocycle or a heterocycle optionally substituted with one or more R<sub>i</sub> substituents;

q is 0-3;

R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> independently are hydrogen, alkyl, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, nitro, urea, cyano, thio, alkylthio, hydroxy, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkoxycarbonylamino, aryloxycarbonylamino, alkylsulfinyl, sulfonyl, alkylsulfonyl, aralkylsulfonyl, arylsulfonyl, heteroarylsulfonyl, alkanoylamino, cycloalkanoylamino, aryl, arylalkyl, halogen, or alkylphosphonyl, and R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub> and R<sub>5</sub> are substituted with 0-3 substituents selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, carboxyl, lower alkoxycarbonyl, lower alkyl, nitro, oxo, cyano, carbocyclyl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, lower alkylthio, lower alkoxy, lower alkylamino, lower alkanoylamino, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower sulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkanoyl, aryl, aroyl, heterocyclylcarbonyl, halogen and lower alkylphosphonyl; or two of R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>5</sub> together form a carbocycle or heterocyclic ring,

Y is H, alkoxy, alkoxyalkoxy, aryloxy, alkylaminoalkoxy, dialkylaminoalkoxy, alkylamino, arylamino, heterocyclyl or heteroarylalkyl, where each of the forgoing may be substituted or unsubstituted:

X<sub>1</sub> is H, C(O)OR, C(O)NRaRb, C(O)R, or C(O)SR wherein R, Ra and Rb, individually, is hydrogen or alkyl, alkoxy, aryl, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, substituted with 0-4 substituents selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, amino, carboxyl, nitro, cyano, heterocylyl, heteroaryl, aryl, aroyl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkyloxy, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, heteroarylamino lower alkyl, halo lower alkyl, and alkoxy lower alkyl, heteroarylamino lower alkyl, halo lower alkyl, and alkoxy lower alkyl; wherein said heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, aryl, aroyl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkyloxy, aryloxycarbonyl and aralkyloxycarbonyl substituent is optionally substituted with halogen, hydroxyl, amino, carboxyl, nitro, cyano, alkyl and alkoxy; and wherein Ra and Rb together with the nitrogen to which they are attached may form a heterocyclyl or heteroaryl group substituted with 0-5 substituents R or Rd; wherein Rd has the structure

wherein X' is a divalent linker selected from the group consisting of C(O)NRa, C(O) or a bond;

Parent Docket P1778R1C2

Page 4

X<sub>2</sub> and X<sub>3</sub> are each independently hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, amino, carboxyl, nitro, cyano, or substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, aryl, heterocylyl, heteroaryl, aryl, aroyl, aryloxy, alkylenedioxy, lower alkyl carbonylamino, lower alkyl carbonylamino, lower alkylamino, arylamino, arylamino, arylamino, arylamino, lower alkoxy carbonylamino, lower alkylamino carbonylamino, lower alkoxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, lower alkynyl, lower alkylthio, lower alkoxy, lower alkylamino, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower sulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylphosphonyl, aminosulfonyl lower alkyl, hydroxy lower alkyl, alkylsulfinyl lower alkyl, alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, heteroaryloxy lower alkyl, heteroarylamino lower alkyl, halo lower alkyl, alkoxy lower alkyl; and wherein X<sub>1</sub> and X<sub>2</sub> or X<sub>3</sub> may be bonded together to form a heterocylic or heteroaryl ring(s); or X<sub>3</sub> and Z together form a heterobicyclic ring;

X<sub>1</sub>; X<sub>2</sub>; X<sub>3</sub>; and X<sub>4</sub>; are each independently hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, amine, earboxyl, nitro, eyano, or substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, arylalkyl, heterocylyl, heterocylyl, arylarino, arylarino, aryloxy, alkylonedioxy, lawer alkyl carbonylamino, lower alkylamino, lower alkylamino carbonylamino, arylamino, arylamino, arylamino, arylamino, lower alkoxycarbonyl, lower alkyl, lower alkylamino carbonylamino, arylamino, lower alkoxycarbonyl, lower alkyl, lower alkyl, lower alkylyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkyl, alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, hydroxy lower alkyl, alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, heteroarylamino lower alkyl, halo lower alkyl, alkexy lower alkyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

## 2. (currently amended) A compound according to claim 1, having the formula:

I

wherein

2 is H or lower alkyl;

A has the structure:

Patent Docket P1778R1C2 Page 5

in which R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub> and R<sub>5</sub>, independently are hydrogen, alkyl, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, nitro, cyano, thio, alkylthio, hydroxy, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylsulfinyl, sulfonyl, alkylsulfonyl, aryl, arylalkyl, halogen, or alkylphosphonyl, and R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub> and R<sub>5</sub> are substituted with 0-3 substituents selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, carboxyl, lower alkoxycarbonyl, lower alkyl, nitro, cyano, heterocylyl, heteroaryl, lower alkylthio, lower alkoxy, lower alkylamino, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower sulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, aryl, halogen and lower alkylphosphonyl;

Y is H, alkoxy, alkoxyalkoxy, aryloxy, aminoalkylalkoxy, diaminoalkylalkoxy, alkylamino, arylamino, heterocyclyl or heteroarylalkyl, where each of the forgoing may be substituted or unsubstituted;

X<sub>1</sub> is H, C(O)OR, C(O)NRaRb, C(O)R, or C(O)SR wherein R, Ra and Rb, individually, is hydrogen or alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, heterocryl, substituted with 0-4 substituents selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, amino, carboxyl, nitro, cyano, heterocylyl, heterocryl, aryl, aroyl, aryloxy, alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, lower alkynyl, lower alkylthio, lower alkoxy, lower alkylamino, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower sulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylphosphonyl, aminosulfonyl lower alkyl, hydroxy lower alkyl, alkylsulfinyl lower alkyl, alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, heterocrylthio lower alkyl, heterocryloxy lower alkyl, heterocrylamino lower alkyl, halo lower alkyl, alkoxy lower alkyl; and wherein Ra and Rb together with the nitrogen to which they are attached may form a heterocyclyl or heterocryl group substituted with 0-4 substituents R;

X<sub>2</sub> and X<sub>3</sub> are each independently hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, amino, carboxyl, nitro, cyano, or substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, aryl, heterocylyl, heteroaryl, aryl, aroyl, aryloxy, alkylenedioxy, lower alkyl carbonylamino, lower alkenyl carbonylamino, arylamino, arylalkyl carbonylamino, lower alkoxy carbonylamino, lower alkylamino carbonylamino, arylamino carbonylamino, lower alkoxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, lower alkyl, lower alkenyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower

Patent Docket P1778R1C2

Page 6

alkylphosphonyl, aminosulfonyl lower alkyl, hydroxy lower alkyl, alkylsulfinyl lower alkyl, alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, heteroarylthio lower alkyl, heteroaryloxy lower alkyl, heteroarylamino lower alkyl, halo lower alkyl, alkoxy lower alkyl; and wherein  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  or  $X_3$  may be bonded together to form a heterocylic or heteroaryl ring(s);

<del>OF</del>

## wherein

Z is H or lower alkyl;

A has the structure:

in which R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub> and R<sub>5</sub>, independently are hydrogen, alkyl, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, nitro, cyano, thio, alkylthio, hydroxy, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylsulfinyl, sulfonyl, alkylsulfonyl, aryl, arylalkyl, halogon, or alkylphosphonyl, and R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> are substituted with 0.3 substituents solveted from the group consisting of hydroxy, carboxyl, lower alkoxycarbonyl, lower alkyl, nitro, cyano, heterocylyl, heteroaryl, lower alkylthio, lower alkoxy, lower alkylamino, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower sulfonyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, aryl, halogon and lower alkylphosphonyl;

10/772,678 Patent Docket P1778R1C2
Page 7

Y-is-II,-alkoxy, alkoxyalkoxy, aryloxy, aminoalkylalkoxy, diaminoalkylalkoxy, alkylamino, arylamino, heterocyclyl-or-heteroarylalkyl, where each of the forgoing may be substituted or unsubstituted;

X<sub>1</sub>, X<sub>2</sub> and X<sub>3</sub> are such independently hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, ammo, earboxyl, nitro, eyano, or substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, arylalkyl, heterocylyl, heterocylyl, aryl, aroyl, aryloxy, alkylenedioxy; lower alkyl carbonylamino, lower alkenyl carbonylamino, aryl carbonylamino, arylamino earbonylamino, lower alkoxy carbonylamino, lower alkylamino carbonylamino, lower alkoxy carbonyl, lower alkyl, lower alkynyl, lower alkylthio, lower alkoxy, lower alkylamino, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower sulfenyl, lower alkylsulfenyl, lower alkylsulfenyl, lower alkylsulfenyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkyl, alkylsulfinyl lower alkyl, alkylsulfinyl lower alkyl, heteroarylthio lower alkyl, heteroaryloxy lower alkyl, heteroarylamino lower alkyl, halo lower alkyl, alkoxy lower alkyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 3. (canceled)
- 4. (canceled)
- 5. (currently amended) The compound of one-of claims 2, wherein X<sub>1</sub> is C(O)NRaRb wherein Ra and Rb together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form a heterocyclyl or heteroaryl group substituted with 0-5 substituents selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, alkoxy, aryl and R: wherein R is hydrogen or alkyl, alkoxy, aryl, heterocyclyl or heteroaryl, substituted with 0-4 substituents selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, amino, carboxyl, nitro, cyano, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, aryl, aroyl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkyloxy, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxy, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkyl, hydroxy lower alkyl, alkylsulfinyl lower alkyl, alkylsulfinyl lower alkyl, heteroarylamino lower alkyl, alkylthio lower alkyl, heteroarylthio lower alkyl, heteroaryloxy lower alkyl, heteroarylamino lower alkyl, halo lower alkyl, aralkyloxy, aryloxycarbonyl and aralkyloxycarbonyl substituent is optionally substituted with halogen, hydroxyl, amino, carboxyl, nitro, cyano, alkyl and alkoxy; and X<sub>2</sub>, X<sub>3</sub> are each independently H, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heterocylyl, or heteroaryl.
- 6. (currently amended) The compound of claim 5, wherein  $X_1$  is C(O)OR, C(O)R, or C(O)SR and R is heterocyclyl or heteroaryl, substituted with 0-4 substituents selected from the group consisting of

Patent Docket P1778R1C2

Page 8

halogen, hydroxy, amino, carboxyl, nitro, cyano, heterocylyl, heteroaryl, aryl, aroyl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkyloxy, aryloxycarbonyl, aralkyloxycarbonyl, alkylenedioxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl, lower alkyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkyl, alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, hydroxy lower alkyl, alkylsulfinyl lower alkyl, alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, alkylsulfonyl lower alkyl, heteroarylthio lower alkyl, heteroaryloxy lower alkyl, heteroarylamino lower alkyl, halo lower alkyl, and alkoxy lower alkyl; wherein said heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, aryl, aroyl, aryloxy, aralkyl, aralkyloxy, aryloxycarbonyl and aralkyloxycarbonyl substituent is optionally substituted with halogen, hydroxyl, amino, carboxyl, nitro, cyano, alkyl and alkoxy.

- 7. (canceled)
- 8. (canceled)
- 9. (currently amended) The compound of claim 5 7, wherein X<sub>1</sub> is C(O)NRaRb and Ra and Rb together form a heterocyclyl group is a member selected from the group consisting of

10. (currently amended) The compound of claim 9, wherein X<sub>1</sub> is Ra and Rb together form the heterocyclyl group

- 11. (canceled)
- 12. (canceled)

Patent Docket P1778R1C2 Page 9

- 13. (currently amended) The compound of claim  $\underline{1}$   $\underline{1}$ , wherein  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  or both are not hydrogen.
- 14. (currently amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein  $X_2$ ,  $X_3$ , and Z or a combination thereof are hydrogen.
- 15. (original) The compound of claim 1, wherein A is selected from the group consisting of

16. (original) The compound of claim 1, wherein A is

17. (original) The compound of claim 1, wherein  $X_2$  is a member selected from the group consisting of

Patent Docket P1778R1C2.

Page 10

- 18. (original) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound has S stereochemical configuration.
- 19. (original) A composition, comprising the compound of claim 1 and a carrier or excipient.
- 20. (canceled)
- 21. (canceled)
- 22. (canceled)
- 23. (canceled)
- 24. (canceled)
- 25. (new) The compound of claim 2, wherein  $X_1$  is C(O)NRaRb and Ra and Rb together form a heterocyclyl group selected from the group consisting of

and

A is selected from the group consisting of

Patent Docket P1778R1C2 Page 11

$$c_{1}$$
  $+c_{1}$   $+c_{2}$   $+c_{3}$   $+c_{4}$   $+c_{5}$   $+c$ 

- 26. (new) The compound of claim 25, wherein Z, X2 and X3 are each H.
- 27. (new) The compound of claim 26, wherein Y is OH, alkoxy, aryloxy or arylalkoxy.
- 28. (new) The compound of claim 27, whererin Ra and Rb together form the heterocyclyl group

29. (new) The compound of claim 28, wherein A is